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## REMARKS

The Office Action mailed October 31, 2007 has been carefully considered.

Reconsideration in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

## Claim Status and Amendment to the Claims

Claims 1-8, 25-40, and 46-84 are now pending.

The Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication of allowance of claims 1-8, 25-40, and 46-84 subject to the formal matters addressed in this Amendment.

Claims 41-45 were previously cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 9-24 were previously withdrawn from consideration as the result of an earlier restriction requirement.

Independent claims 1, 25, 33, and 70 have been amended to further particularly point out and distinctly claim subject matter regarded as the invention. Support for the changes is found in the Specification, figures, and claims as originally filed. No "new matter" has been added by the Amendment.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully asserted that the claims are now in condition for allowance.

## Conclusion

It is believed that this Amendment places the above-identified patent application into condition for allowance. Early favorable consideration of this Amendment is earnestly solicited.

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## Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner is thanked for the finding of allowable subject matter in claims 1-8, 25-40, and 46-84 subject to the formal matters pointed out in the Office Action. The Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance as set forth in the Office Action. However, Applicants point out that the reasons for allowability of the above referenced claims are not limited to the reasons for allowance as set forth in the Office Action, and that additional reasons for allowability may exist, each of which may be independently sufficient to establish the patentability of one or more pending claims.

The Applicants respectfully reserve the right to introduce, articulate, or otherwise comment on any such additional reasons for allowance as may be appropriate in any future proceedings concerning the claimed invention.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, an interview would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

The Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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